

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims in accordance with the following:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for applying revision information to software in a system that dynamically assigns software to a plurality of servers to perform customer services, comprising:

a calculation device calculating an index ~~to into~~ which ~~there have been~~ integrated a newness of a software that a customer is using and a security level of the software have been integrated, by using information provided when revision information is issued;

a storage device storing a restricting conditions-condition for the index that ~~are~~ is designated by the customer; and

an application device checking whether the calculated index satisfies the restricting ~~conditions-condition~~, ~~and, if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting conditions, and~~ applying the revision information to the software that the customer is using to update the software if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting condition.

2. (Currently Amended) A computer readable ~~recording-medium~~ recording-storing a program for a computer to apply revision information to software in a system that dynamically assigns software to a plurality of servers to perform customer services, ~~wherein the program makes the computer execute the processes of~~ the program causing a computer to execute a process comprising:

calculating an index ~~to into~~ which ~~there have been~~ integrated a newness of a software that a customer is using and a security level of the software have been integrated, by using information provided when revision information is issued;

reading a restricting conditions-condition for the index that ~~are~~ is designated by the customer from a storage device;

checking whether the calculated index satisfies the restricting ~~conditions-condition~~; and ~~if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting conditions,~~ applying the revision information to the software that the customer is using to update the software if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting condition.

3. (Currently Amended) The ~~recording-computer readable~~ medium according to claim 2, ~~when in the program further makes the computer execute the processes of further comprising~~ preparing a same software configuration as that of a target server in which the software the customer is using is operating in ~~the~~ an unused server that has not been assigned to any

customer yet, applying the revision information to the software that the customer is using in the unused server, and assigning the unused server instead of the target server to the customer in order to update the software.

4. (Currently Amended) The ~~recording~~computer readable medium according to claim 2, wherein the program ~~makes the computer execute the processes of applying~~applies the revision information to update the software that has not been assigned to any customer in ~~the an~~ unused server that has not been assigned to any customer ~~to update the software~~, and ~~assigning~~assigns the unused server to a customer, when ~~a the~~ customer who requires that software appears, ~~the unused server to the requiring customer~~.

5. (Currently Amended) The ~~recording~~computer readable medium according to claim 2, wherein the program ~~makes the computer execute the processes of extracting~~extracts a date and a degree of importance of the revision information from information provided when the revision information is issued and ~~calculating~~calculates the index using the extracted information.

6. (Currently Amended) The ~~program~~computer readable medium according to claim 2, wherein the program ~~makes the computer execute the processes of calculating~~calculates the index for a version of the software that the customer is using out of a plurality of versions of software to which the revision information is applied, and ~~applying~~applies the revision information to said version of software if the index of the version of software that the customer is using does not satisfy the restricting ~~conditions~~condition.

7. (Currently Amended) A carrier signal that carries a program for a computer to apply revision information to software in a system that dynamically assigns software to a plurality of servers to perform customer services, ~~wherein the program makes the computer execute the processes of the program causing a computer to execute a process comprising:~~

calculating an index ~~to into~~ which ~~there have been integrated~~ a newness of a software that a customer is using and a security level of the software have been integrated, by using information provided when the revision information is issued;

reading ~~the a~~ restricting ~~conditions~~condition for the index that ~~are is~~ designated by the customer from the storage device;

checking whether the calculated index satisfies the restricting ~~conditions~~condition; and

~~if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting conditions,~~ applying the revision information to the software that the customer is using to update the software if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting condition.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for applying ~~in which~~ revision information to software ~~by a computer~~ in a system that dynamically assigns software to a plurality of servers, comprising:

calculating an index ~~to~~ into which ~~there have been integrated~~ a newness of a software that a customer is using and a security level of the software have been integrated, by using the information provided when the revision information is issued;

reading ~~the a~~ a restricting ~~conditions~~ condition for the index that ~~are~~ is designated by the customer from a storage device;

checking whether the calculated index satisfies the restricting ~~conditions~~ condition; and

~~calculating index does not satisfy the restricting conditions,~~ applying the revision information to the software that the customer is using to update the software if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting condition.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ An apparatus for applying revision information to software in a system that dynamically assigns software to a plurality of servers to perform customer services, comprising:

a-calculation means for calculating an index ~~to~~ into which ~~there have been integrated~~ a newness of a software that a customer is using and a security level of the software have been integrated, by using the information provided when the revision information is issued;

a-storage means for storing ~~the a~~ a restricting ~~conditions~~ condition for the index that ~~are~~ is designated by the customer; and

~~an~~ application means for checking whether the calculated index satisfies the restricting ~~conditions~~ condition, ~~and, if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting conditions,~~ and applying the revision information to the software that the customer is using to update the software if the calculated index does not satisfy the restricting condition.